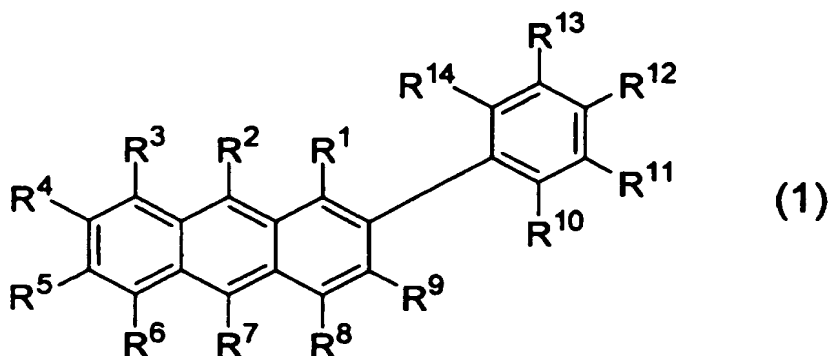


IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Original): An aromatic compound represented by a following general formula (1):



wherein R¹ to R¹⁴ each independently represents any one selected from a group consisting of a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group having 1 to 40 carbon atoms, a substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl group having 2 to 40 carbon atoms, a substituted or unsubstituted alkynyl group having 2 to 40 carbon atoms, a substituted or unsubstituted alkoxy group having 1 to 40 carbon atoms, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group having 6 to 40 carbon atoms, a substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl group having 3 to 40 carbon atoms;

at least one of R¹ to R⁹ represents a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group having 6 to 40 carbon atoms; and

at least one of R¹⁰ or R¹⁴ represents a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group having 6 to 40 carbon atoms.

Claim 2 (Original): The aromatic compound according to Claim 1, wherein at least one of R² or R⁷ represents a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group having 6 to 40 carbon atoms.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): A luminescent organic solution which comprises the aromatic compound according to Claim 1 ~~or Claim 2~~.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A material for an organic electroluminescence device which comprises the aromatic compound according to Claim 1 ~~or Claim 2~~.

Claim 5 (Original): An organic electroluminescence device which comprises at least one organic thin film layer comprising a light emitting layer sandwiched between a pair of electrodes consisting of an anode and a cathode, wherein at least one of the organic thin film layer comprises the material for the organic electroluminescence device according to Claim 4.

Claim 6 (Original): The organic electroluminescence device according to Claim 5, wherein the light emitting layer further comprises an arylamine compound.

Claim 7 (Original): The organic electroluminescence device according to Claim 5, wherein the light emitting layer further comprises a styrylamine compound.